

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
CRIMINAL MISCELLANEOUS No.37344 of 2024

Arising Out of PS. Case No.-187 Year-2024 Thana- HISUWA District- Nawada

Munna Kumar S/o- Tuntun Singh Village- Ariyan Ps- Hisua Dist- Nawada
... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

The State of Bihar

... .. Opposite Party/s

Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr. Shashikant Yadav, Advocate

For the Opposite Party/s : Ms. Pushpa Sinha.1, APP

CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE SATYAVRAT VERMA
ORAL ORDER

2 24-06-2024 Heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as
learned APP for the State.

2. The petitioner seeks bail in anticipation of his arrest in a case registered for the offences punishable under Section 30(a) of Bihar Prohibition & Excise Act, 2016 in connection with Hisua (Nawada) P.S. Case No.187 of 2024

3. The learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the petitioner is a person with clean antecedent and allegation is of recovery of 1.875 liters of liquor from the house of the petitioner.

4. It is next submitted that petitioner was not arrested from the spot as such nothing was recovered from his conscious possession and after amendment in the Excise Act in the year 2018 the concept of deemed possession and presume offender has been done away with it. It is also submitted that the house in



question is a joint family property as such it cannot be alleged with certainty that it was petitioner who had kept the liquor in the house or the liquor kept in the house was within the knowledge of the petitioner and he came to be implicated at the instance of 'Chowkidar' with whom he is on inimical term. It is next submitted if 'Chowkidar' was aware of the involvement of the petitioner in the occurrence then why he did not inform the police prior to institution of the instant FIR, which cast an aspersion on the case of the prosecution.

5. The learned APP for the State opposes the anticipatory bail application.

6. Considering the submissions made by the learned counsel for the petitioner, the petitioner above-named, in the event of his arrest or surrender before the learned Court below within a period of six weeks, is directed to be released on bail on his furnishing bail-bonds in the sum of Rs.500/- (Rupees Five Hundred) with two sureties of the like amount each to the satisfaction of the learned Exclusive Special Excise Court-I, Nawada in connection with Hisua (Nawada) P.S. Case No.187 of 2024, subject to the conditions laid down under Section 438(2) of the Cr.P.C.

7. It is made clear that the learned trial court before



accepting the bail bonds of the petitioner shall verify the criminal antecedent of the petitioner and in the event, if it is found that petitioner has antecedent of even one case, in that event, the present anticipatory bail order shall not be given effect.

8. The application stands allowed.

(Satyavrat Verma, J)

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